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A British master in his prime felled by tree. – U.S. Chief Architect resigns. – ASLA responds to tsunami crisis. – Will being on the World Heritage list help historic Indian sites? (and Mies villa uncovered.) – Frank Lloyd Wright homes and buildings for sale: a buying spree in the making? – Uncovering a river key to Yonkers redevelopment? – Plans for Les Halles perfect for "those who are pathologically averse to risk." – French museums expand their borders. – A new home for Napoleon's toothbrush. – A Long Island performing arts center and a Detroit behemoth get long-needed facelifts. – Gold LEED for a corporate interior. – Exhibitions in Tokyo and New York explore the futuristic (and cheeky).

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Obituary: Richard Feilden, 54: Top Architect Killed Cutting Down Tree - Feilden, Clegg Bradley- The Scotsman (UK)

GSA Chief Architect Feiner to Retire: ...spearheaded design excellence program, which drew prominent architects to compete for the agency's courthouses and other projects.Engineering News-Record (ENR)

ASLA Responds to Tsunami Crisis: Aiding tsunami disaster victims is a long-term proposition- American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)

How much difference does Unesco make? Three new Indian sites have been added to the World Heritage list. Will this improve their management? [sidebar: Archaeologists uncover Mies van der Rohe villa]- The Art Newspaper

Historic Wright homes for sale by Michigan owners: They're picky about prospective buyers: At least 10 homes and other buildings are for sale [includes list of locations/cost]-Detroit Free Press

Yonkers Plans to Uncover River Running Through It: ...plan to uncover sections of the [Saw Mill River] and make it "a centerpiece of the city's redevelopment blueprint."- New York Times

Rich Menu to Choose From for the 'Belly of Paris': The low-key design for Les Halles] is a banally tasteful vision of Modernity that is apt to please those who are pathologically averse to risk. By Nicolai Ouroussoff - David Mangin/Seura; Nouvel; Koolhaas; MVRDV [images]- New York Times

Entr'acte: French museums take steps away from home: ...following the international branding route chartered by New York's empire-building Guggenheim Museum - Shigeru Ban/Jean de Gastines/Philip Gumuchdjian; Gehry; Nouvel; Hadid; Enrique Norten; Asymptote; Foster- International Herald Tribune

Wellcome collection to get new home: converting its old central London headquarters into a museum of art and science - Hopkins Architects- Guardian (UK)

Adding a Bit of Grandeur to Tilles Center for the Performing Arts [Long Island]: ...barely a step up from a Quonset hut...has waited a long time for grandeur. By Fred Bernstein - Bentel & Bentel (1973); Paul Broches/Mitchell Giurgola (1981, 2004)- New York Times

The RenCen renaissance: GM's renovations make HQ more inviting, less disorienting. By John Gallagher - John Portman (1977); Skidmore, Owings & Merrill; Albert Kahn Associates; Hargreaves Associates- Detroit Free Press

Coro Center for Civic Leadership 'green' interior goes gold: first Gold LEED award in Pennsylvania for a commercial interior. By Patricia Lowry - Renaissance 3 Architects-Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Architecture goes back to the future: Archilab -- the new exhibition at the Mori Art Museum in Roppongi, Tokyo -- suggests the era's architectural flights of fantasy were also more prescient than they seemed. - Archigram; Hadid; Libeskind; Asymptote; James Wines-Daily Yomiuri (Japan)

Superstudio: Pioneers of Conceptual Architecture: A tongue-in-cheek critique of Modernism, "Histograms" reduces architectural design to a series of generic building blocks. [images]- Metropolis Magazine

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- -- Rojkind Arquitectos: casa pR34, Tecamachalco, Mexico
- -- Travel: Design Hotel, Great Eastern Hotel, London
- -- Book: Eating Architecture, Edited by Jamie Horwitz & Paulette Singley

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